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Minoru YAMAMOTO et al.

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This is in response to the final Office Action mailed April 14, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on July 14, 2004. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to August 16, 2004 (August 14, 2004 falling on a Saturday). This reply is timely filed by August 16, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested, because it is believed that in view of the Examiner's comments, the amendments and remarks clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the relied upon references to place the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.